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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/053,931
Applicant : Dana Mears et al.
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Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PERFORMING A
MINIMALLY INVASIVE TOTAL HIP ARTHROPLASTY

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Commissioner of Patents
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 10, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.